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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2302

Introduced by Assembly Member Fong

February 19, 2010

An act to ~~add Section 66723 to~~ amend Section 66720 of, to add Section 66721.4 to, to add Article 3 (commencing with Section 66745) to Chapter 9.2 of Part 40 of Division 5 of Title 3 of, to repeal Sections 66740, 66741, and 66742 of, and to amend, repeal, and add Sections 66721.7 and 66739.5 of, the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2302, as amended, Fong. Postsecondary education: student transfer.

Existing

(1) *Existing law*, the ~~Donohoe~~ Donahoe Higher Education Act, establishes the 3 segments of public postsecondary education in this state. These segments include the California State University, administered by the Trustees of the California State University, the University of California, administered by the Regents of the University of California, and the California Community Colleges, administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. A provision of the act applies to the University of California only to the extent that the regents, by resolution, make that provision applicable.

~~Existing law requires~~ *provisions of the act require* the governing bodies of the 3 public postsecondary segments, with appropriate consultation with the academic senates of the respective segments, to develop, maintain, and disseminate a common core curriculum in general

education courses for the purposes of transfer. This provision requires that a person who has successfully completed the transfer core curriculum is to be deemed to have completed all lower division general education requirements for the University of California and the California State University.

This bill would *additionally require the governing bodies of those segments to develop, maintain, and disseminate a common core curriculum in major preparation courses. The bill would require the* ~~chancellors of~~ Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University, and would request the President of the University of California, to jointly develop and implement a strategy for increasing the number of students who successfully transfer from a California Community College to a California State University or University of California campus transfer degree program for purposes of granting transfer degrees to community college students who meet specified general education and major preparation requirements. ~~The bill would require the strategy to include the development and implementation of a transfer degree with specified characteristics.~~ The bill would require community colleges, commencing with the fall term of the 2012–13 academic year, to grant a transfer degree to a community college student meeting those requirements and would guarantee upper division status to certain students who are awarded the transfer degree and admitted as transfer students to the University of California or California State University. The bill would require the California State University, and request the University of California, to guarantee admission to a campus of their respective segments to each student who earns a transfer degree, subject to prescribed requirements.

The bill would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University, and would request the President of the University of California, to report to the Legislature on progress toward compliance with the development of the common core curriculum in general education courses and major preparation courses and the transfer degree program by June 30, 2011.

By imposing new requirements on community college districts with respect to granting transfer degrees, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) Existing law requires the governing board of each community college district to direct the appropriate officials at their respective campuses to provide students with a copy of the current transfer core

curriculum and to distribute and publish copies of the transfer core curriculum in a specified manner and in specified locations.

This bill would additionally require the governing board of each community college district to ensure that all students desiring to transfer to the California State University or the University of California have appropriate access to a copy of the transfer core curriculum in general education courses and major preparation courses. By imposing these additional requirements on the governing boards of community college districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The bill would require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges to ensure that all California community college students are informed of transfer pathways and transfer degrees.

(3) Existing law requests the University of California, among other things, to address deficiencies in the articulation of major preparation courses between the community colleges and University of California campuses, to identify commonalities and differences in similar majors across University of California campuses, to articulate courses and course sequences at each campus of the California Community Colleges for specified major degree programs for purposes of student transfer, and to conduct a specified review of transcripts of transfer students. Existing law requires the Chancellor of the California State University to establish transfer student admissions requirements to give highest priority to certain transfer students, to specify lower division transfer curriculum for specified major degree programs, and to articulate courses at each campus of the California Community Colleges for specified major degree programs for purposes of student transfer. Existing law requires each campus of the California State University to identify nonelective course requirements beyond systemwide lower division transfer curriculum requirements for each major for purposes of student transfer, in accordance with prescribed requirements.

This bill would make these provisions inoperative on July 1, 2013, and would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2014. The bill also would repeal other provisions of existing law requiring the University of California and the California State University to develop discipline-specific articulation agreements and transfer program agreements.

(4) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: ~~no~~-yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 *SECTION 1. Section 66720 of the Education Code is amended*
2 *to read:*

3 66720. (a) The Board of Governors of the California
4 Community Colleges, the Regents of the University of California,
5 and the Trustees of the California State University, with appropriate
6 consultation with the Academic Senates of the respective segments,
7 shall jointly develop, maintain, and disseminate a common core
8 curriculum in general education courses *and a common core*
9 *curriculum in major preparation courses* for the purposes of
10 transfer. ~~Any~~

11 (b) *The common core curriculum in general education courses*
12 *developed pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be the same for all*
13 *transfer students, regardless of the public four-year institution, or*
14 *the campus or location of that institution, to which the student*
15 *transfers. However, the common core curriculum may allow for*
16 *minor variations for students declaring majors requiring a high*
17 *number of units, as determined by the public postsecondary*
18 *education institutions.*

19 (c) *The common core curriculum in major preparation courses*
20 *developed pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be the same for all*
21 *transfer students in each respective major that has lower division*
22 *requirements, regardless of the public four-year institution, or the*
23 *campus or location of that institution, to which the student*
24 *transfers.*

25 (d) (1) A person who has successfully completed the transfer
26 core curriculum; *in general education courses and major*
27 *preparation courses* shall be deemed to have thereby completed
28 all lower division general education requirements for the University
29 of California and the California State University.

30 (2) *Commencing with the fall term of the 2012–13 academic*
31 *year, a California community college student who has successfully*

1 *completed the applicable transfer core curriculum in general*
2 *education courses and major preparation courses shall be eligible*
3 *for a transfer degree in accordance with Article 3 (commencing*
4 *with Section 66745).*

5 *(e) This section does not limit the authority of the University of*
6 *California and the California State University to impose*
7 *post-transfer curriculum requirements on transfer students.*

8 *SEC. 2. Section 66721.4 is added to the Education Code, to*
9 *read:*

10 *66721.4. (a) The governing board of each community college*
11 *district shall ensure that all students desiring to transfer to the*
12 *California State University or the University of California have*
13 *appropriate access to a copy of the transfer core curriculum in*
14 *general education courses and major preparation courses*
15 *developed pursuant to Section 66720.*

16 *(b) The Board of Governors of the California Community*
17 *Colleges shall ensure that all California community college*
18 *students are informed of the transfer pathways and transfer degrees*
19 *established by this chapter.*

20 *SEC. 3. Section 66721.7 of the Education Code is amended to*
21 *read:*

22 *66721.7. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to ensure that*
23 *community college students who wish to earn the baccalaureate*
24 *degree at the University of California (UC) are provided with clear*
25 *and effective directions that specify curricular paths to this degree.*

26 *(b) This section shall not be construed to limit in any way the*
27 *ability of students to gain admission through alternative paths to*
28 *transfer, such as the Intersegmental General Education Transfer*
29 *Curriculum (IGETC) or any other means.*

30 *(c) The University of California is requested to address*
31 *deficiencies in the articulation of major preparation courses*
32 *between the California Community Colleges and the various UC*
33 *campuses to make it easier for prospective transfer students to*
34 *identify which community college courses meet major preparation*
35 *requirements across the various campuses of the university.*

36 *(d) The University of California is requested to identify*
37 *commonalities and differences in similar majors across all UC*
38 *campuses in order to accomplish all of the following:*

39 *(1) To provide students with general descriptions of each major.*

1 (2) To identify lower division degree requirements that are
2 common across UC campuses.

3 (3) To identify additional academic requirements at each UC
4 campus.

5 (4) To describe additional criteria that students must achieve to
6 be admitted at the various UC campuses.

7 (e) (1) When four or more UC campuses that award
8 undergraduate degrees have articulated specific courses and course
9 sequences of the California Community Colleges for common
10 requirements in similar majors, the remaining UC campuses that
11 offer undergraduate degrees are requested to also articulate these
12 specific community college courses and course sequences. The
13 Legislature recognizes that UC may adopt provisions allowing
14 individual UC campuses to opt out of this articulation process on
15 a case-by-case basis; however, these provisions should be
16 infrequently used. The Academic Senate of the University of
17 California is requested to notify the California Community Colleges
18 when an articulation request is denied, and to provide information
19 that will enable the California Community Colleges to achieve
20 course comparability with UC.

21 (2) For at least the 20 most high-demand undergraduate majors,
22 and with the ultimate goal of including all majors for which it is
23 feasible, UC is requested to specify lower division transfer paths
24 clearly identifying commonalities, as well as differences, on a
25 comparative basis across UC campuses offering specific major
26 programs. The Academic Senate of the University of California
27 is requested to review the existing differences in lower division
28 major preparation in each major across UC campuses, recognizing
29 that one goal of these requirements should be to achieve similarity
30 to the greatest degree that is academically appropriate.

31 (3) The University of California is requested to include all of
32 the following in the systemwide lower division transfer paths for
33 the high-demand baccalaureate major degree programs:

34 (A) Lower division general education requirements for the
35 university.

36 (B) Lower division major preparation requirements that are
37 common across undergraduate campuses.

38 (C) Additional lower division degree requirements that are
39 unique to an individual campus.

40 (D) Elective units, as appropriate.

1 (E) Additional criteria, such as grade point averages and
2 minimum grades, to ensure that students are competitive in
3 selective majors.

4 (4) The systemwide lower division transfer paths shall be
5 specified in sufficient manner and detail so that existing and future
6 community college lower division courses may be articulated,
7 according to the usual procedures, to the corresponding UC courses
8 or course descriptions.

9 (f) (1) The University of California is requested to, and the
10 Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall, in
11 consultation with the Academic Senate of the California
12 Community Colleges, on or before January 1, 2008, facilitate the
13 articulation of those lower division, baccalaureate-level courses
14 at each campus of the California Community Colleges that meet
15 the lower division transfer path requirements for each major
16 specified by UC in paragraph (1) of subdivision (e).

17 (2) The University of California is requested to annually review,
18 and update as appropriate, the lower division transfer paths and
19 articulation to ensure that they reflect current UC campus degree
20 requirements and community college curricula, and share the
21 results of that review with the Chancellor of the California
22 Community Colleges.

23 (g) As allowed by enrollment demand and available space, UC
24 is requested to develop transfer admission agreement programs
25 for students at each campus of the California Community Colleges
26 who demonstrate the intent to meet the requirements of this section,
27 including the declaration of a major and identification of a choice
28 of a destination campus. The transfer admission agreement shall
29 guarantee admission to the campus and major identified in the
30 agreement and transfer of all units specified in the agreement,
31 subject to the student's successful completion of the requirements
32 of the agreement. It is the intent of the Legislature that the transfer
33 admission agreements entered into under this section be made
34 available to students early in their academic coursework. However,
35 nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude or limit the
36 development or issuance of transfer admission agreements for
37 students at any appropriate time up to the point of application.

38 (h) A path to transfer, as specified in this section, shall be
39 available to any community college student who desires to transfer
40 to UC, and shall not be limited to students who secure a transfer

1 admission agreement as specified in subdivision (g). A student
2 who successfully completes a path to transfer, but who does not
3 secure a transfer admission agreement, shall be guaranteed the
4 transferability and degree applicability for all units that the student
5 has earned pursuant to the path to transfer. However, nothing in
6 this section shall be construed to guarantee admission to UC, or
7 to a specific UC campus, for a student who has not secured a
8 transfer admission agreement.

9 (i) The University of California is requested to, and the
10 California Community Colleges shall, on a three-year periodic
11 cycle, jointly conduct a review of a random representative sample
12 of transcripts of students who have transferred to UC and of
13 students preparing for transfer to determine the effectiveness of
14 the transfer preparation pathways referenced in this section.

15 (j) *This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2013, and,
16 as of January 1, 2014, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,
17 that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2014, deletes or
18 extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.*

19 SEC. 4. Section 66721.7 is added to the Education Code, to
20 read:

21 66721.7. (a) *As allowed by enrollment demand and available
22 space, the University of California is requested to develop transfer
23 admission agreement programs for students at each campus of the
24 California Community Colleges who demonstrate the intent to
25 meet academic requirements for transfer, including declaration
26 of a major and identification of a choice of a destination campus.
27 The transfer admission agreement shall guarantee admission to
28 the campus and major identified in the agreement and transfer of
29 all units specified in the agreement, subject to the student's
30 successful completion of the requirements of the agreement. It is
31 the intent of the Legislature that the transfer admission agreements
32 entered into under this section be made available to students early
33 in their academic coursework. However, this section shall not be
34 construed to preclude or limit the development or issuance of
35 transfer admission agreements for students at any appropriate
36 time up to the point of application.*

37 (b) *This section shall become operative on July 1, 2013.*

38 SEC. 5. Section 66739.5 of the Education Code is amended to
39 read:

1 66739.5. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the
2 following:

3 (1) The California Master Plan and supporting statutes place
4 utmost importance on the effective transfer of community college
5 students to the University of California (UC) and the California
6 State University (CSU) as a means of providing access to the
7 baccalaureate degree.

8 (2) In 2002, CSU enrolled 55,000 transfer students from
9 community colleges.

10 (3) Two out of three students who earn CSU baccalaureate
11 degrees begin in a community college.

12 (4) Effective use of state and student time and resources would
13 be maximized by students accruing fewer unrequired units in
14 earning their degrees.

15 (5) Additional access to community colleges and CSU will be
16 created by higher graduation rates and fewer nonessential units
17 taken.

18 (6) The state budget situation makes it urgent to streamline the
19 path of the transfer student to the baccalaureate degree.

20 (b) It is, therefore, the intent of the Legislature to ensure that
21 community college students who wish to earn the baccalaureate
22 degree at CSU are provided with a clear and effective path to this
23 degree.

24 (c) This section shall not be construed to limit in any way the
25 ability of students to gain admission through alternative paths to
26 transfer, such as the Intersegmental General Education Transfer
27 Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General
28 Education-Breadth Requirements.

29 (d) On or before February 1, 2005, the Chancellor of CSU shall
30 establish transfer student admissions requirements that give highest
31 priority to transfer students who are qualified in accordance with
32 subdivision (f) and paragraph (3) of subdivision (g).

33 (e) (1) CSU campuses admitting students qualified in
34 accordance with subdivision (f) and paragraph (3) of subdivision
35 (g) will make it possible for these students to complete their
36 baccalaureate degree in the minimum number of remaining units
37 required for that degree major.

38 (2) For purposes of this subdivision, the “minimum number of
39 remaining units” is the minimum number of units required for a

1 degree major after subtracting the number of fully
2 degree-transferable units earned at the community college.

3 (f) The Chancellor of CSU, in consultation with the Academic
4 Senate of CSU, shall establish the following components necessary
5 for a clear degree path for transfer students:

6 (1) On or before June 1, 2005, the Chancellor of CSU, in
7 consultation with the Academic Senate of CSU and with the faculty
8 responsible for each high-demand baccalaureate degree major
9 program, shall specify for each high-demand baccalaureate program
10 major a systemwide lower division transfer curriculum composed
11 of at least 45 semester course units, or the quarter-unit equivalent,
12 that will be common across all CSU campuses offering specific
13 major programs.

14 (2) (A) The systemwide lower division transfer curriculum for
15 each high-demand baccalaureate degree major program shall be
16 composed of at least 45 semester units, or the quarter-unit
17 equivalent, and shall include all of the following:

18 (i) General education courses.

19 (ii) Any other lower division courses required for graduation.

20 (iii) Lower division components of the student's declared major.

21 (iv) Elective units, as appropriate.

22 (B) The coursework described in subparagraph (A) shall be
23 designated by the CSU faculty responsible for the student's major
24 degree program.

25 (3) The systemwide lower division transfer curriculum shall be
26 specified in sufficient manner and detail so that existing and future
27 community college lower division courses may be articulated,
28 according to the usual procedures, to the corresponding CSU
29 courses or course descriptions.

30 (g) (1) On or before June 1, 2006, the Chancellor of CSU and
31 the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, in
32 consultation with the Academic Senate of the California
33 Community Colleges, shall articulate those lower division,
34 baccalaureate-level courses at each campus of the California
35 Community Colleges that meet for each degree major the
36 systemwide lower division transfer curriculum requirements
37 specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (f).

38 (2) To the extent that the goals of efficiency and urgency are
39 advanced, existing articulation procedures such as the California
40 Articulation Number (CAN) program shall be employed.

1 (3) On or before June 1, 2006, each CSU campus shall have
2 identified any additional specific, nonelective course requirements
3 beyond the systemwide lower division transfer curriculum
4 requirements for each major, up to a maximum of 60 semester
5 units or the quarter-unit equivalent, for the systemwide and
6 campus-specific requirements combined. To the extent these
7 additional course requirements are identified, each CSU campus
8 shall provide that information to all community colleges.

9 (4) The Chancellor of CSU shall amend CSU's transfer
10 admissions procedures to encourage prospective community college
11 transfer students to identify and, to the extent possible, commit to,
12 a specific CSU transfer destination campus before earning more
13 than 45 semester units, or the quarter-unit equivalent, of lower
14 division, baccalaureate-level courses, as described in subdivision
15 (f).

16 (h) As allowed by enrollment demand and available space, each
17 CSU campus shall develop a transfer admission agreement with
18 each student who intends to meet the requirements of this section,
19 including the declaration of a major and identification of a choice
20 of a destination campus, before earning more than 45 systemwide
21 semester units, or the quarter-unit equivalent. The transfer
22 admission agreement shall guarantee admission to the campus and
23 major identified in that agreement and transfer of all 60 semester
24 units, or the quarter-unit equivalent, as creditable to the
25 baccalaureate degree, subject to the student's meeting the following
26 conditions:

27 (1) Completion of the 60 semester units of college-level
28 coursework, or the quarter-unit equivalent, specified for the
29 student's major degree program.

30 (2) Declaration of a major.

31 (3) Satisfactory completion of the systemwide lower division
32 transfer curriculum requirements for the student's declared major.

33 (4) Satisfactory completion of any requirements beyond the
34 systemwide lower division transfer curriculum that are specified
35 by the CSU destination campus.

36 (5) Any impaction criteria for that campus or major.

37 (i) A CSU campus shall guarantee that the transfer students
38 admitted under this section will be able to complete the
39 baccalaureate degree in the minimum number of course units
40 required for that degree.

1 (j) *This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2013, and,*
2 *as of January 1, 2014, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,*
3 *that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2014, deletes or*
4 *extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.*

5 SEC. 6. *Section 66739.5 is added to the Education Code, to*
6 *read:*

7 66739.5. (a) *As allowed by enrollment demand and available*
8 *space, each campus of the California State University shall develop*
9 *a transfer admission agreement with each California community*
10 *college student who demonstrates the intent to meet academic*
11 *requirements for transfer, including declaration of a major and*
12 *identification of a choice of a destination campus, before earning*
13 *more than 45 systemwide semester units, or the quarter-unit*
14 *equivalent, as creditable to the baccalaureate degree. The transfer*
15 *admission agreement shall guarantee admission to the campus*
16 *and major identified in the agreement and transfer of all units*
17 *specified in the agreement, subject to the student's successful*
18 *completion of the requirements of the agreement.*

19 (b) *This section shall become operative on July 1, 2013.*

20 SEC. 7. *Section 66740 of the Education Code is repealed.*

21 ~~66740. Each department, school, and major in the University~~
22 ~~of California and California State University shall develop, in~~
23 ~~conjunction with community college faculty in appropriate and~~
24 ~~associated departments, discipline-specific articulation agreements~~
25 ~~and transfer program agreements for those majors that have lower~~
26 ~~division prerequisites. Faculty from the community colleges and~~
27 ~~university campuses shall participate in discipline-specific~~
28 ~~curriculum development to coordinate course content and expected~~
29 ~~levels of student competency.~~

30 ~~Where specific majors are impacted or over-subscribed, the~~
31 ~~prescribed course of study and minimum grade point average~~
32 ~~required for consideration for upper division admission to all of~~
33 ~~these majors shall be made readily available to community college~~
34 ~~counselors, faculty, and students on an annual basis. In cases where~~
35 ~~the prescribed course of study is altered by the university~~
36 ~~department, notice of the modification shall be communicated to~~
37 ~~appropriate community college faculty and counselors at least one~~
38 ~~year prior to the deadline for application to that major and~~
39 ~~implementation by the department responsible for teaching that~~
40 ~~major.~~

1 Community college districts, in conjunction with the California
2 State University and the University of California, shall develop
3 discipline-based agreements with as many campuses of the two
4 university segments as feasible, and no fewer than three University
5 of California campuses and five California State University
6 campuses. The development of these agreements shall be the
7 mutual responsibility of all three segments, and no one segment
8 should bear the organizational or financial responsibility for
9 accomplishing these goals.

10 The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the
11 President of the University of California shall begin the process
12 of setting priorities to determine which community colleges will
13 receive first attention for the development of agreements. Criteria
14 for priority determination shall include, but not be limited to, the
15 percentage and number of students from economically
16 disadvantaged families and underrepresented racial and ethnic
17 minorities, and community colleges which traditionally have not
18 transferred many students to the University of California. The
19 priority list shall be completed by March 1, 1992. These
20 considerations shall not be used in any way to displace current
21 agreements between any community college and the University
22 of California or the California State University.

23 The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the
24 Chancellor of the California State University system shall begin
25 the process of setting priorities to determine which community
26 colleges will receive first attention for the development of
27 agreements. Criteria for priority determination shall include, but
28 not be limited to, the percentage and number of students from
29 economically disadvantaged families and underrepresented racial
30 and ethnic minorities, and community colleges which traditionally
31 have not transferred many students to California State Universities.
32 The priority list shall be completed by March 1, 1992. These
33 considerations shall not be used in any way to displace current
34 agreements between any community college and the University
35 of California or the California State University.

36 *SEC. 8. Section 66741 of the Education Code is repealed.*

37 66741. As a result of systemwide and interinstitutional
38 agreements, each community college student shall be assured of
39 the opportunity to enter into a transfer agreement program enabling
40 a student to receive high priority consideration, attain equivalent

1 special treatment, or enter into a contract when applying for
2 university admission at the advanced standing level. It is recognized
3 that eligibility for transfer agreement programs will require
4 completion of certain requirements as defined in interinstitutional
5 agreements. It is also recognized that access to majors of choice
6 will, in most cases, require completion of additional requirements,
7 such as specialized coursework and attainment of a specialized
8 grade point average.

9 Transfer agreement programs also shall carry high priority access
10 to majors of choice. The University of California and the California
11 State University shall require that continuing undergraduate
12 students and community college transfer students are assessed
13 against a common set of criteria for upper division standing to a
14 specific major. However, generally speaking, access to these
15 programs shall require completion of specialized coursework and
16 attainment of a grade point average above the minimums defined
17 in general admission requirements, such as those used in
18 supplementary admission criteria for impacted or over-subscribed
19 programs.

20 Alternatively, students may also, by meeting the University of
21 California or California State University requirements for
22 admission at the advanced standing level, simply wish to apply as
23 required. All students meeting these admission requirements shall
24 be guaranteed a place somewhere in the University of California
25 or California State University system, as appropriate.

26 *SEC. 9. Section 66742 of the Education Code is repealed.*

27 66742. The governing boards of the three public segments of
28 higher education shall present annual statistical reports on transfer
29 patterns via the California Postsecondary Education Commission
30 to the Governor and Legislature. The reports shall include recent
31 statistics on student enrollments by campus, segment, gender,
32 ethnicity, and the ratio of upper division to lower division,
33 including information on both freshman and transfer student access
34 to the system. These reports should include, to the extent that data
35 are available or become available, data on application, admission
36 and enrollment information for all students by sex, ethnicity, and
37 campus. For transfer students, this data shall indicate the segment
38 of origin for all students. In addition, data shall be separately
39 identified for transfer students from California Community
40 Colleges, and shall identify the subset of applications which are

1 completed together with admission, enrollment, and declared major
2 information for that group. The reports shall describe the number
3 of transfer agreements, if any, whose terms and conditions were
4 not satisfied by either the California State University or the
5 University of California, the number of California Community
6 College transfer students denied either admission to the student's
7 first choice of a particular campus of the California State University
8 or the University of California or the student's first choice of a
9 major field of study, and, among those students, the number of
10 students who, upon denial of either of the student's first choices,
11 immediately enrolled at another campus of the California State
12 University or the University of California. The reports shall also
13 include information by sex and ethnicity on retention and degree
14 completion for transfer students as well as for native students, and
15 the number and percentage of baccalaureate degree recipients who
16 transferred from a community college.

17 *SEC. 10. Article 3 (commencing with Section 66745) is added*
18 *to Chapter 9.2 of Part 40 of Division 5 of Title 3 of the Education*
19 *Code, to read:*

20
21 *Article 3. Transfer Degree Program*
22

23 *66745. (a) Prior to the commencement of the fall term of the*
24 *2012–13 academic year, the Board of Governors of the California*
25 *Community Colleges, jointly with the California State University*
26 *and the University of California, shall develop and implement a*
27 *transfer degree program in accordance with this article.*

28 *(b) (1) The transfer degree shall be granted by each California*
29 *community college commencing with the fall term of the 2012–13*
30 *academic year.*

31 *(2) A community college student who commences enrollment*
32 *in a California community college prior to the fall term of the*
33 *2012–13 academic year may elect to prepare for transfer in*
34 *compliance with the transfer degree requirements developed*
35 *pursuant to this article and shall be eligible for a transfer degree*
36 *and the rights conferred upon transfer degree holders pursuant*
37 *to this article.*

38 *(c) In developing the transfer degree pursuant to this section,*
39 *the Board of Governors shall ensure that the requirements for the*
40 *degree provide sufficient unit capacity to allow a student a choice*

1 of electives and allow a student to fulfill local community college
2 degree requirements.

3 66746. (a) A transfer degree shall constitute a recognized
4 educational credential awarded by a community college, equivalent
5 to satisfactory completion of the requirements of a postsecondary
6 educational program at the associate degree level.

7 (b) (1) The community college shall grant a transfer degree to
8 a student who completes the common core curriculum in general
9 education courses and major preparation curriculum requirements
10 for his or her major, developed pursuant to Section 66720. The
11 transfer degree shall guarantee a student, if he or she is admitted
12 to a campus of the California State University or the University
13 of California, upper division status upon enrollment in the major
14 for which the student completes the applicable lower division
15 curriculum.

16 (2) If a student completes a transfer degree, but applies for
17 admission to a campus of the California State University or the
18 University of California without declaring a major, or applies for
19 admission to a major program in a major other than the major for
20 which the student completed the lower division major preparation
21 curriculum, the institution may admit the student at the upper
22 division level and may require the student to complete lower
23 division major preparation requirements specified by the
24 institution.

25 (c) Subject to a competitive application process, the California
26 State University shall, and the University of California is requested
27 to, guarantee admission to a campus of their respective segments
28 to each student who earns a transfer degree pursuant to this article
29 and completes the applicable lower division major preparation
30 curriculum, if the student meets academic standards developed
31 and published by the respective institution.

32 (d) This section does not limit the authority of the University of
33 California and the California State University to impose
34 post-transfer academic requirements on transfer students.

35 66747. The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges
36 and the Chancellor of the California State University shall, and
37 the President of the University of California is requested to, in
38 consultation with the Academic Senate of each respective segment,
39 jointly develop and implement academic requirements for purposes
40 of this article.

1 *SEC. 11. (a) On or before June 30, 2011, the Chancellor of*
2 *the California Community Colleges, the Chancellor of the*
3 *California State University, and the President of the University of*
4 *California shall report to the Legislature on progress toward*
5 *compliance with Sections 1 and 11 of this act.*

6 *(b) (1) A report to be submitted pursuant to subdivision (a)*
7 *shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the*
8 *Government Code.*

9 *(2) Pursuant to Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, this*
10 *section is repealed on June 30, 2015.*

11 *SEC. 12. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that*
12 *this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to*
13 *local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made*
14 *pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division*
15 *4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.*

16 ~~SECTION 1. Section 66723 is added to the Education Code,~~
17 ~~to read:~~

18 ~~66723. (a) The Chancellor of the California Community~~
19 ~~Colleges, the Chancellor of the California State University, and~~
20 ~~the President of the University of California shall jointly develop~~
21 ~~and implement a strategy for increasing the number of students~~
22 ~~who successfully transfer from a California Community College~~
23 ~~to a California State University or University of California campus.~~

24 ~~(b) The strategy developed pursuant to subdivision (a) shall~~
25 ~~include the development and implementation of a transfer degree~~
26 ~~with all of the following characteristics:~~

27 ~~(1) A community college student shall earn a transfer degree~~
28 ~~upon completion of the transfer core curriculum developed pursuant~~
29 ~~to Section 66720.~~

30 ~~(2) A transfer degree shall constitute a recognized educational~~
31 ~~credential awarded by a California Community College, which is~~
32 ~~equivalent to satisfactory completion of the requirements of a~~
33 ~~postsecondary educational program at the associate's level.~~

34 ~~(3) A transfer degree shall guarantee a transferring student~~
35 ~~third-year status at a California State University or University of~~
36 ~~California campus upon enrollment.~~